

Chicopee Register

COMMUNITY

New coronavirus variant confirmed in Chicopee

The city will be partnering with Granby, South Hadley for vaccination clinic

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

CHICOPEE – After several weeks of confusion and lack of communication from the state, a regional COVID-19 vaccination site has been officially approved to operate at the Castle of Knights on Memorial Drive in Chicopee.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has not yet delivered doses of the vaccine to Chicopee, which has partnered with South Hadley and Granby. It is not clear when the site will become operational, although the news has been welcomed by many. “This is good news for Chicopee and the Western Massachusetts region,” said State Rep. Joseph Wagner of the 8th Hampden District, who worked with the administration of Gov. Charlie Baker on behalf of Chicopee to gain approval for the site.

Chicopee residents continue to seek vaccines, and the city’s COVID-19 case counts are back on the rise. On March 30, it was announced that there were 234 active case counts in Chicopee. On March 24, the city reported only 144 open cases and 3,561 total cases. The upward trend in cases is both notable and concerning, according to city officials. Mayor John Vieau held a press conference in the City Hall Auditorium on March 25 to address the state of the novel coronavirus in the city and reported that one Chicopee resident has contracted the B.1.1.7 variant of COVID-19 – one of the newer, highly contagious variants. “I can tell you as a city, when it comes to variants, or what it may be with COVID-19, that the message will be the same one we’ve had since last March,” said Vieau. “We’ve proven, as a society,

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Chicopee native Tom Hebert releases audiobook

‘Remains of the Corps: An Illustrated Novel’ is now in audio edition

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

CHICOPEE – Last year, Tom Hebert, an author with Chicopee roots, published “Remains of the Corps: An Illustrated Novel.” Containing more than 100,000 words, the novel is the first publication in a six-volume series, chronicling American military conflicts from WWI through the Vietnam War. To bring more life to the characters he’s created, Hebert, a Marine Corps veteran, successfully transformed his novel into an audiobook, employing the services of Grover Gardner, one of America’s most renowned audiobook narrators. “When I decided to move my book to the audio edition, I knew there was only really one narrator for me,” said Hebert, a longtime admirer of



TOM HEBERT. SUBMITTED PHOTO BY TOM HEBERT. Tom Hebert, a military veteran and author who grew up in Chicopee, published “Remains of the Corps: An Illustrated Novel,” which was recently converted to audiobook.

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Chicopee mayor: ‘Zero tolerance’ for illegal drag racing

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

CHICOPEE – Chicopee has a recreation vehicle problem on its hands. Riders illegally operating pedal bikes, dirt bikes, motorcycles and quads are wreaking havoc throughout the city, as they drive recklessly and create an abundance of noise. Complaints are rising as recreation and off-highway vehicles drag race on

the city’s roadways, emitting fumes, causing disturbances and endangering drivers and pedestrians. Mayor John Vieau addressed the issue during a press conference held in the City Hall Auditorium on March 25. “We’re going to make sure our roadways are safe and will have zero tolerance for that crazy, reckless behavior that’s been going on in Western Mass. for way too long,” said Vieau.

Numerous vehicular models are contributing to the problems that have arisen on the streets of Chicopee. All are illegal to operate publicly or privately without an appropriate permit, as spelled out by Massachusetts statutes. A recreation or off-highway vehicle is a vehicle designed or modified for use over unimproved terrain for recreation or pleasure, including

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City Council supports state sports betting bill

Councilors, mayor believe it could help local businesses

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

CHICOPEE – The Chicopee City Council discussed several exciting developments during its March 16 meeting, including the prospects of establishing a City Charter Commission and supporting the legalization of sports wagering in the Commonwealth. **Sports betting** The Chicopee City Council said last month the Massachusetts Sports Wagering Act could help local businesses. If the bill passes successfully through the State Senate, the act would legalize sports betting in Massachusetts. On March 16, City Council was asked by Mayor John Vieau to support the act, which will provide revenue to the state that will benefit cities, towns, education distressed restaurants and police training in the Commonwealth. “I’m very excited by this. I think this legislation could help local businesses quite a bit,” said Ward 6 Councilor Derek Dobosz. “I think this legislation is very well-thought out. Personally, I’ve already endorsed this legislation. I’m in favor of this. I look forward to discussing it in committee with my colleagues, getting more information and learning more about it, but I am absolutely in favor of it.” The bill was presented by State Rep. Orlando Ramos of the 9th Hampden District and Sen. Adam Gomez of the Hampden District and is

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Chicopee Police Chief William Jebb Retires



CHICOPEE - On March 26, longtime Chicopee Police Chief William Jebb worked his final day at the Public Safety Complex on Church Street. Dozens of department members wished Jebb well as he enters retirement.



PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY CHICOPEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

During a small ceremony on March 26, Lt. Holly Davis, retiring Chicopee Police Chief William Jebb and retired public information officer Mike Wilk pose for a photo at the Public Safety Complex.

Jebb embraced friends, colleagues and family members during a March 26 ceremony.



Hampden County Sheriff Nick Cocchi wishes Jebb a happy retirement.



Jebb poses with State Rep. Orlando Ramos and State Sen. Adam Gomez last Friday during Jebb's last day.



Jebb poses with Lynn Morrisette of the Boys & Girls Club of Chicopee. Jebb has been a proud partner of the Club for decades.



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Building skills at Moses Scout Camp



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Troop 138 of Chicopee recently camped at Moses Scout Camp and worked on many Scout skills including fire building, along with using maps and compasses. Scouts also worked on signaling using flags.

Amvets Post 12 weekly dinner specials open to the public

CHICOPEE – Amvets Post 12, located at 754 Montgomery St. in Chicopee, is hosting weekly dinner specials which are open to the public from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

The menu is as follows:

April 8 – Spaghetti dinner, \$7

April 15 – Roast sirloin of beef dinner, \$12

April 22 – Roast chicken dinner, \$10

April 29 – No dinner

Contact 413-315-8581 for tickets or menu of the week.

Weekly dinners will continue in May as well; menu TBD.

Polish takeout dinners at St. Stan's School, April 24

CHICOPEE – St. Stanislaus School will be having a Polish plate dinners-to-go on Saturday, April 24, from 3 to 6 p.m. behind the school at 534 Front St. in Chicopee.

This is a drive-thru event. Please stay in cars and volunteers will be glad to serve customers. The Polish dinners will have: two cabbage pierogi, two cheese and potato pierogi, one golumbki, a side of kapusta, five slices of kielbasa, and rye bread. Tickets are \$ 15 each and can be purchased in the following manner: at the School Office (9 a.m. – 2 p.m.), the Parish Office (9 a.m.

– 5 p.m.), or by reserving online using the link on the school's website at www.saintstansschool.org (click the News tab) or the Parish Website at www.ststansbasilica.org. Reserved orders must be paid for at pick up on April 24. Deadline to purchase or reserve tickets is Friday, April 16. Only 600 tickets will be sold! For more information, call Cindy Conklin at (413)592-7211.

St. Stan's will also be selling the following frozen items: cabbage pierogi at \$ 8/dz., cheese and potato pierogi at \$ 9/ dz., golumbki \$ 10/4pk., kapusta \$ 5/Qt.

Limit of five of each item, while supplies last. There will also be a limited supply of Domins White and Beet Horseradish at \$3 a jar.

There will be homemade churst for \$ 5 per container, and homemade cookies six for \$ 3, or 12 for \$ 5.

A raffle will be held, with tickets available for purchase at \$ 5 each, when purchasing dinner tickets and at the event. The prize is a basket with Polish items and includes \$ 75 of Mass. Lottery scratch tickets and \$ 25 cash.

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GUEST COLUMN

The truth about peanuts

Well, they certainly have a holiday for everything these days. Recently, when doing some research on an topic completely unrelated to horticulture, I learned that April 2 is National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day. Now I enjoy a good PB & J sandwich, and PB & J stood for the initials Paul, (ro)Berta and Jen back in my college days, but really, a holiday? Regardless, let's have some fun and take a look at half of this holiday fav from a horticulture perspective.

I had a childhood friend who actually grew peanuts here in the northeast. It was really neat to dig them up and eat them right from her garden! Who even knew they grew underground? I am dating myself when I say that all the hullabaloo was partly because we, at the time, had president by the name of Jimmy Carter whose family was in the business of growing peanuts. Why don't you take a trip down Memory Lane with me as I look back on peanut culture, Ware-style!

If my memory serves me correctly, Mrs. Haley received fresh, raw peanuts still in their shell through a mail-order company. She carefully shelled them and planted them about a six inches apart from one another in her sunny garden after the danger of frost had passed. The key to growing peanuts is providing loose, crumbly soil. It's interesting that the plants flower above ground, but just as the petals of the flower fall away, stalks below the ovary of the flower called "pegs" lengthen, causing the stem to fall to the ground. When they fall, the pegs make their way into the soil and form the peanut. It's suggested that once the plants reach about six inches tall, a gentle cultivation should be performed to make it easier for the pegs to penetrate the earth. After they have done so, hilling as you would potatoes is beneficial, as is providing a loose mulch such as chopped leaves, straw or the like to keep the area friable and moist.

You'll know it's time to harvest when the plant yellows; don't wait too long after this point or the peanuts may break from the plant, making harvest more difficult. Carefully unearth the whole plant with a shovel, shake away as much soil as you can and dry upside down out of the weather. An attic, barn or other well-ventilated area is ideal for this purpose. Peanuts can be shelled and enjoyed raw, or roasted in or out of the shell at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. High in protein and fat, and various healthy nutrients, peanuts are a staple in the diets of many cultures.

You many find it interesting to learn that peanuts are not really a nut at all, but a legume. In fact, young plants will be very reminiscent of pea seedlings. They are thought to have originated in South America over three thousand years ago. Valued then as both a food source and status symbol, peanuts were even used as currency for a time. That's humorous, considering the phrase "working for peanuts" implies quite the opposite status!

Peanuts are a long season crop, requiring about 120 days to mature. Many northern gardeners pre-start them indoors to get a jump on the growing season using a variety such as Early Spanish that matures earlier than other types.

Here's what the experts recommend: Shell the fresh peanuts carefully, keeping the thin papery covering intact. Place three "seeds" in a four-inch pot filled two-thirds of the way up with moist potting soil. Add the remaining soil and place in a warm location until they sprout. Provide decent light and plant outside after the danger of frost has

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SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

Does paying FICA tax now increase my benefit?

By Russell Gloor
Guest columnist

Dear Rusty: If a person retires at age 66 and continues to work full time, Social Security taxes are still taken out of his weekly paycheck. Will this taxation for Social Security contribute more to the person's Social Security benefit, even if already retired? Signed: Curious Retiree

Dear Curious Retiree: Since its inception in 1935, Social Security has been a "pay as you go" program, where contributions from those who are working are used to pay benefits to those who are collecting Social Security benefits. That remains true even if, after you start collecting Social Security, you work and pay payroll taxes into the system.

Those Social Security payroll taxes you are contributing now aren't deposited into a personal account for you, they're used to help pay benefits to all recipients. So, paying Social Security FICA payroll taxes after you start collecting benefits doesn't affect your benefit payment. However, what might affect your benefit amount is if your current earnings from working are more than any of those in the 35 years used to originally compute your Social Security benefit when you filed.

When you apply for Social Security benefits, Social Security adjusts every year in your lifetime earnings record for inflation to bring those earlier earnings up to today's dollar values. They then select the 35 highest-earning years over your entire lifetime, and from those 35 highest-earning years they develop your "Average Indexed Monthly Earnings" or AIME. Your AIME, in turn, is used to compute your Social Security benefit at your full retirement age, or FRA.

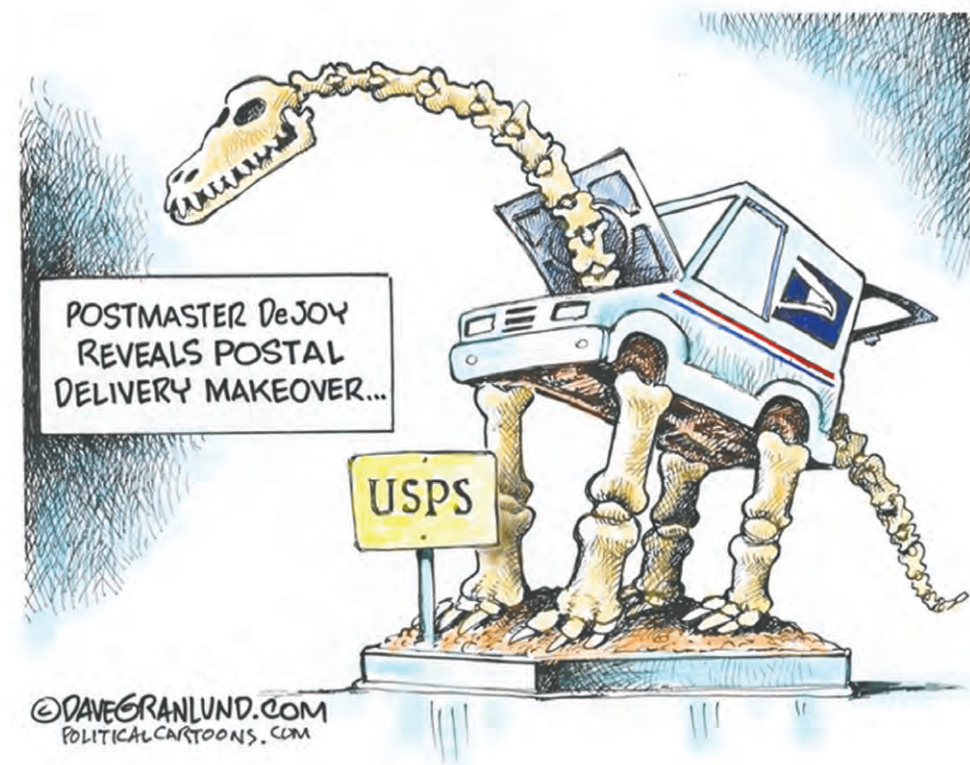
Social Security examines your earnings every year after your earnings for the previous year are reported to Social Security by the IRS. After your benefits have started, and if your current earnings are higher, Social Security will replace an earlier year's earnings with your more recent earnings and recompute your benefit, resulting in a small benefit increase. I use the term "small" because it would represent only 1/35th of the average lifetime earnings used to compute your benefit.

A key thing to remember is that each of your past year's earnings, up until you are 60, are adjusted for inflation before computing your benefit amount. So, for example, \$25,000 earned in 1990 is worth more than \$60,000 in today's dollars, and it is the inflation-adjusted amount that your current earnings would need to exceed increase in your benefit. I recently published an article on this topic which you may find helpful: www.socialsecurityreport.org/ask-rusty-does-paying-social-security-payroll-tax-increase-my-benefit/.

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Zoom Meditation with Michelle

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Are you feeling stressed? Do you want to learn how to relax? Join us for Meditation on Zoom. This class is led by Michelle Zemba LMT. This is an online class. The Zoom link will be shared on RiverMills Center’s Facebook page. If you do not have Facebook, please call RiverMills Center at (413) 534-3698 to provide your email address for the Zoom link to be sent to you. Please save the link as this will be the link you will use for each class.

Gentle exercise with Ryan via Zoom

CHICOPEE- The Council on Aging offers “Gentle Exercise with Ryan” Via Zoom, Mondays and Fridays at 12 p.m.

This class focuses on functional movement & fun. This is an online class. Join Ryan every Monday and Friday at 12 p.m. The Zoom link is shared on RiverMills Center’s Facebook page. If you do not have Facebook, please contact RiverMills Center at (413) 534-3698 to provide your email address for the Zoom link to be emailed to you. Please save the Zoom link as that is the link you will use each class.

Tuesday yoga at RiverMills

CHICOPEE – The Chicopee Council on Aging will be offering Zoom Yoga on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Caitlin Lavin, Certified Yoga Instructor, will be leading classes. These classes are free and the Zoom links are available on RiverMills Center’s Facebook page or by calling (413) 534-3698.

‘Mindful Eating Practices’ presentation, April 21

CHICOPEE – The Council on Aging will host the Zoom presentation “Mindful Eating Practices” on Wednesday, April 21 at 11 a.m.

This workshop, presented by Ascendria Care Alliance, will help participants learn about mindful eating practices, reviewing some well-known approaches to mindful eating, how they differ from the standard “dieting” approach to weight loss and how to incorporate some of these practices into your daily routine. To register, visit RiverMills Centers Facebook page or call 413-534-3698.

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that we can live with COVID-19 if we follow the orders and advisories that have been brought to us through the Governor’s Office and the DPH.”

Health Director Lisa Sanders took to the podium after Vieau last Thursday and shared a similar message.

“[The variant case] was brought to my attention this week. I think it was confirmed in February,” said Sanders.

ridding the city of the virus.

“The testing takes people who are potentially exposed and become COVID positive and gets them out of the general population, gets them quarantined, and that’s the only way we’re going to get our numbers down. It’s the only way we’re going to get back to normal,” said Vieau.

Before the press conference concluded, Vieau took an opportunity to thank the city’s teachers, first responders, municipal employees and residents for stepping up repeatedly over course of the past year.

“We will do everything we can in our power to make sure that we get through this time of uncertainty,” he said. “It’s something we’re committed to every day and something we take a lot of pride in, being the passionate city that we are. When Chicopee has a need, a cause, or a reason, we come through every time.”

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Gardner’s. “With that in mind, I contacted Dayan Studio in L.A. and told them who my favorite narrator is. He happened to be someone they work with. It wasn’t as difficult as you might think.”

Gardner was initially hesitant to commit to the project, acknowledging that he would most likely be unable to complete all six volumes. Hebert assured the narrator that he would value any and all participation.

When Gardner’s work was delivered to Hebert, it took the author three days to listen to the entirety of the audiobook. Hebert was thrilled with the final product and complimented Gardner’s uncanny ability to capture and portray dialects from all throughout the globe.

Hebert has been enthused by the positive reaction that the novel has drawn and is optimistic that the audiobook will bring it to the attention of new audiences across the country.

Hebert, who served in Vietnam, dedicated his work to his late father, a Marine who served in

WWII. Hebert was six years into the project when his father passed away at age 96. On his deathbed, Hebert promised him he would finish the book.

“Remains of the Corps: An Illustrated Novel” begins shortly before WWI on the campus of Harvard University in Cambridge. The primary character, Kenneth Remain, dedicates his life to military service, and the novel outlines his many adventures.

As he wrote the novel, Hebert put great emphasis on making the characters lively and memorable, allowing them to be portrayed with a style that a history book cannot replicate.

“History books are okay, but they can be a little dry,” said Hebert. “If you overlay the history on a group of interesting

characters who jump out at you, I think it makes the storytelling all that much easier. I think that’s what I’ve done; pull together some very interesting characters, who I hope to develop over the coming volumes.”

Hebert considers each volume to be a building block, as he works on the second installation. Every day, he spends two to three hours writing, and has currently completed at least seven chapters of the future publication.

Now, under contract with Blackstone Audio, Hebert has his sights set on greater heights. He feels strongly that audiobooks are an ideal and effective means of honoring his military tradition.

“It’s always been critical to me to honor the Marine Corps and tell a good story at the same time. I think audio just brings it to another level because story telling over time was oral before they started committing it to writing. The best way to hear and tell a story is orally,” said Hebert.

“Remains of the Corps: An Illustrated Novel” can be purchased online at amazon.com or audible.com, Amazon’s collection of audiobooks. The 11-hour, 18-minute audiobook includes a Bonus Companion PDF, containing more than 130 sketches and portraits by Tara Kaz that are found in the hard copy.

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Nathan Conde rushes into a crowd of players.



Frankie Cabrera-Cavaette holds the ball away from tacklers.

Colts drop second straight

EAST LONGMEADOW – Last Friday night, Chicopee Comprehensive dropped to 0-2 on the Fall 2 season with a 34-6 loss against Longmeadow. The teams played on the turf at East Longmeadow High School. Nathan Conde had 44 yards rushing to lead the Colts and scored the only touchdown of the game for the visitors. Brennan Fields had a 9-for-17 night for 61 yards and three interceptions. He also run for 17 yards. Comp takes on Holyoke this week.



Running back Calvin Kagan takes off on a run.



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Quarterback Brennan Fields rears back for the Colts.

Soccer alignments proposed for new statewide tourney format

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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REGION – Holyoke and Central will stand together as the only two schools from Western Massachusetts that will compete in Division 1 soccer under the new alignments that have been proposed.

This fall, the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association will change to a statewide tournament. In an attempt to equalize the competition, Massachusetts will move from four to five divisions in most major sports, such as soccer, basketball, and baseball and softball.

According to the alignments that have been proposed, Holyoke and Central are the only schools in the region that have enough enrollment to be part of Division 1.

Many current Division 1 schools in the region will now move down to Division 2.

Among the Division 2 teams in soccer will be Agawam, Chicopee, Chicopee Comprehensive, Minnechaug Regional, Amherst, and Ludlow. All of these teams have been playing in Division 1 for many years, and have competed in Division 1 tournaments at the regional and state level. Ludlow was a Division 1 state champion a couple

of years ago.

Belchertown will be among the teams that will be featured in Division 3. This is not a change for those teams. They have been in Division 3 in recent years, though girls soccer has been playing Division 1 to improve its competition level. Belchertown won the boys Division 3 state championship in 2019.

South Hadley, which won a girls soccer Division 3 state title in 2019, will move to Division 4. Also included in Division 4 will be Mahar Regional.

Moving to the newly created Division 5 will be Palmer, Pathfinder, Monson, Granby, Ware, Quabog, and North Brookfield.

In Central Mass., Tantasqua will be a part of Division 2, while Quabbin Regional will join Division 3.

The divisions the teams will be assigned will determine what state tournament that team will have an opportunity to be a part of. With the number of divisions increasing, there will be more opportunities for teams to qualify, though there could be a lot of excessive travel in the early rounds of the tournament depending on what part of the state a team comes from.

Teams will have an opportunity

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Entry list growing as Icebreaker event nears

WATERBURY, Vt. — Connecticut's Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park is just over three weeks away from opening the 2021 Northeast Auto Racing season with the annual Icebreaker. The headlining \$10,000-to-win Icebreaker 125 on Sunday, April 11 continues to draw buzz and big names as the entry list grows leading up to the event.

Nearly 30 Tour-type Modified teams have registered for the debut of the Outlaw Open Modified Series. Even more are expected by the time the first green flag falls for qualifying. The list includes former track and series champions, many multi-time winners, and rising stars looking to start the season with a bang.

To no one's surprise, a huge contingent of racers from the "Modified Country" of Southern New England have entered. Former NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour champions Doug Coby of Milford, CT; Bobby Santos III of Franklin, MA; and Ronnie Silk of Norwalk, CT are among the biggest names preparing for the season-opener.

Other touring series champions on the entry list are Chelmsford, MA's Jon McKennedy; Moosup, CT's Chris Pasterjak; and Woborn, MA's Anthony Nocella. Although NASCAR Cup Series regular



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The Icebreaker 125 is just a few weeks away and the entry list is piling up.

Ryan Preece has not officially entered the Icebreaker, he has publicly expressed his interest in competing.

Plenty of weekly Modified warriors are also ready for the long-distance challenge. They include Berlin, CT's Keith Rocco, a seven-time Thompson Speedway champion, and Tolland, CT's Ronnie Williams, a two-time SK Modified champion at Stafford Motor Speedway. With 125 green-flag laps on the card, many factors will play into who ultimately takes home the big check.

"I think you're going to see a lot of different strategies in this type of race," Williams said. "I think a lot of guys will be pushing hard in the early laps of the race. It's the start of a new season, and a lot of guys hav-

en't raced yet. I'm expecting a strong run out there. The No. 25 with Gary Casella always runs well at Thompson."

"You just have to play your cards right with all of the pit strategy and 125 laps that are all green flag laps," Rocco added. "Fuel is probably going to play a role in it for this one, too. There are a lot of aspects that are going to be part of trying to win the race. We always do really well in the open shows, from the SK Modifieds to the Tour Modifieds. Hopefully, we'll come out of the box strong to start the season."

However, the hunger for victory isn't just limited to Connecticut and Massachusetts. Racers from six different North-

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WMA basketball program expands

WILBRAHAM – Wilbraham & Monson Academy's Boys Basketball program is excited to announce an expansion of its New England Championship-winning Boys Basketball program - with a newly created and named Varsity basketball team. The Varsity team will begin the 2021-2022 season as a Class C Associate member of the New England Preparatory School Athletic Council.

Wilbraham & Monson's current varsity team will be rebranded as a Prep level

team when it opens defense of its New England Class AA championship. The Titans won the program's fifth New England Championship, and first in 34 years, in March 2020.

The varsity team will be run under the direction of Prep Head Coach Mike Mannix and will be coached by newly hired Chris Iversen.

Iversen's basketball background includes extensive experience at numerous administrative levels in the Premier Bas-

ketball League, an American professional men's basketball minor league. He helped lead the Rochester (N.Y.) RazorSharks to seven league championships and was twice named as the league's Coach of the Year. Iversen joins WMA after holding a position as an assistant coach and co-director of player development at the United States Basketball Academy in Eugene, Oregon.

WMA's announcement follows its recent decision to reinstate ice hockey

to the school. The program will start as a club-level team for boys and girls for the 2021-2022 winter season. The Academy is finishing a full year of full-time, on-campus classes with socially distanced classrooms and dining halls. Students and the entire WMA community are COVID-19 tested twice a week.

To learn more about WMA's boys varsity basketball program or any of the other Academy's offerings, visit www.wma.us/varsity or www.wma.us.

Valley Wheel Baseball seeks new players

REGION – The Valley Wheel Over-30 Baseball League is looking for new players for the 2021 season, which is set to begin at the end of April. Players who are 28-years-old prior to June 1 are eligible to play in the league this season, however, only those 30 by June 1 are eligible to pitch.

The league includes six teams and there is a 15-game season that begins on Sunday, April 25. Games are 12 Sundays, a special Mother's Day weekend Saturday game, and two weekday night games under the lights. The season ends the final week of July with the playoffs for the

top four teams during the first two weeks of August. Tryouts are set for the first three weekends in April. Tryouts will be Saturday, April 3, Sunday, April 11, and Sunday, April 18, all weather-permitting. A draft for new players will be held after the final tryout. All players bat and every player spends at least four innings in the field.

The league will be playing with some minor modifications due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information, please contact League Commissioner Jim Nason at wheel12@comcast.net.

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tunity to appeal their divisional placement, whether it before enrollment or competition reasons.

What has yet to be determined is what a Western Massachusetts tournament may look like. While the MIAA will not sponsor a tournament going forward,

the Pioneer Valley Interscholastic Athletic Conference wants to sponsor a tournament. It is unknown how the competition will be aligned, but it could be difficult to place the teams according to division, with situations like having just Holyoke and Central in Division 1. The PVIAC had to put planning for sectional tournaments on hold due to the pandemic.

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east states already entered the Icebreaker 125, giving the event a regional flavor that speaks to its appeal among the Modified ranks.

New Hampshire racers Andy Shaw (Center Conway) and Trevor Bleau (Troy) live in an area typically dominated by Late Model-type cars. However, they're ready to make Modifieds the Granite State headliner for at least one day. Riverhead, NY's Eric Goodale is one of several drivers who are expected to do double-duty with the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour event at Virginia's Martinsville Speedway. Goodale's fellow Long Islander Artie Peterson III is also representing the Empire State.

Anthony Sesely is making the trip to Thompson from Port Monmouth, NJ.

Earl Paules has an even long drive from Palmerton, PA. Patrick Emerling has the current "long haul" award, though, with a 432-mile journey each way from Orchard Park, NY to drive Ted Anderson's #1CT.

The Icebreaker 125 is the first event in the new Outlaw Open Modified Series. A quartet of \$5,000-to-win Wednesday events are scheduled for June 16, July 7, August 11, and September 15. The season concludes with the return of the Thompson 300, a \$20,000-to-win event on October 9 and 10 as part of the annual World Series of Speedway Racing.

Drivers can still register for the Icebreaker 125. Outlaw Open Modified Series entry forms and rules are available at www.acttour.com/outlaw-open-modifieds. General event information can

be found at www.acttour.com/thompson-speedway.

Thompson Speedway opens its 82nd season with the annual Icebreaker on Saturday, April 10 and Sunday, April 11. A total of 10 divisions will compete across two days of racing. Sunday's card features the \$10,000-to-win Icebreaker 125 for the Outlaw Open Modified Series. There's also a 40-lap ACT-type Late Model shootout plus the Limited Sportsman and SK Light Modifieds.

Saturday's six-division card is highlighted by the season-opening Thompson 75 for the PASS North Super Late Models. They're joined by the Sunoco Modifieds, NEMA LITES Midgets, EXIT Realty Pro Truck Challenge, Mini Stocks, and an 8-Cylinder Street Stock Open. An

optional Test N' Tune practice day is slated for Friday, April 9 with all Icebreaker divisions welcome.

Adult general admission is \$30 for Saturday and \$35 for Sunday. Kids ages 12 and under are \$10 each day. Advance tickets are available at <https://happsnw.com/event/Thompson-Speedway-Motorsports-Park-YHPQ>. Grandstand attendance is limited to 50% of capacity per Connecticut COVID-19 guidelines. Pit passes will be sold at the track.

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co-sponsored by State Sen. John Velis of the 2nd Hampden and Hampshire District, Rep. David Robertson of the 19th Middlesex District and Rep. Peter Capano of the 11th Essex District.

Instead of supporting the act outright, the council elected to send the discussion

to the Casino and Gaming Subcommittee for further discussion and a future public hearing. Councilor-at-large James Tillitson appreciated the decision to send the item to committee.

"I think that's the place it should go for now," said Tillitson. "I'm glad it's going to committee because there are several bills out there, and what's being presented to us tonight may not even look

like what's finally voted on and passed, so I think it's going to give us an opportunity to give our own input too if we choose to."

Dobosz thanked the Western Massachusetts Delegation for crafting the bill. He noted that "it doesn't make sense" to keep sports betting illegal, especially given the fact that it is already legal in Connecticut.

"Whether we endorse this specific proposal or not, I hope the state does do something, because I do think it's important. It could be a lot of revenue for the state and help a lot of businesses," said Dobosz.

City Charter Commission

After much debate in past meetings, the City Council settled on common ground regarding the shape of a potential Charter Review Commission, which would be formed to review the Charter of the City of Chicopee.

The board voted in support of a favorable Ordinance Committee report, which advised that the commission convene at 10-year intervals in years ending in one.

The commission was not officially established on March 16, although it appears it could soon function as a 13-member advisory group that will recommend changes to Chicopee's governing document.

Each of Chicopee's 13 city councilors will appoint a member to the commission. Members must be registered to vote in Chicopee and cannot hold elected office when appointed.

"I think it will be really good for the city to get 13 people, one from each of us, to be appointed and have them sit down, take a look at the charter, read through it in detail and make recommendations on what they think needs to be changed," said Ward 1 Councilor Joel McAuliffe on March 16.

The commission will have a chairperson, vice chairperson and clerk and will be overseen by the city's Law Department and City Solicitor. The commission must be self-sufficient and follow Home Rule Amendment, the Home Rule Procedures Act and all other city ordinances.

"It's clearly spelled out that this is an advisory committee, and hopefully they'll come up with some good ideas," said councilor-at-large James Tillitson.

Council president Shane Brooks noted that the process of establishing the commission will be managed by the council's office.

"We'll set a prescribed timeline for official dates," said Brooks.

McAuliffe anticipates that the commission will fill a critical need: updating a document that has only been minimally modified since its establishment in the late 19th century.

"It's going to create an important dialogue, and we're going to learn a lot about our founding document that hasn't been changed, other than a few home rules, since its inception. I'm excited to see what happens here," said McAuliffe.



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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **William M Reardon** of West Springfield, MA and **Doris LaBrecque** of North Port, FL requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **William M Reardon** of West Springfield, MA and **Doris LaBrecque** of North Port, FL be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/21/2021**.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the

MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 24, 2021

Rosemary A Saccomani
Register of Probate
04/02/2021

SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES Under G.L. c.255 Sec. 39A
Notice is hereby given by Interstate Towing, Inc. pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 255, section 39A, that on **April 16, 2021** at Interstate Towing, Inc the following Motor Vehicles will be sold at private sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for storage, towing charges, care and expenses of notices and sale of said vehicles. .

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Anthony Arbuzen
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Kathleen Callahan
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Chicopee, MA 01020

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Belle Lareau
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Kelsey Torres Iiii
15 Brookline Ave
Springfield, MA 01107

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Kristen Palwan
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West Springfield, MA 01089

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Eleanor David
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Southwick, MA 01077

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Jesse Kyles
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West Haven, CT 06516

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Feeding Hills, MA 01001

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03/26, 04/02, 04/09/2021

Notice of Sale Gen.Laws C.255,Sec.39A
Chucks Towing, 78West St., Chicopee, MA is holding a private sale **April 30, 2021 at 4 P.M.** to satisfy garage keepers lien for storage and towing charges and expenses notice of sale.
12 VW Jetta
VIN:3VWDP7AJ3CM117308
Owner: Christian Colon
Date of Tow: 9/3/20
By: C.P.D
04/02, 04/09, 04/16/2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts County of Hampden The Superior Court Civil Docket # 2179 CV 00029 RE: Workers' Credit Union vs. Cody Hammon ORDER OF NOTICE BY PUBLICATION TO: Cody Hammon of Chicopee, in the County of Hampden; all in said Commonwealth; AND TO

ALL PERSONS ENTITLED TO THE BENEFIT OF THE SERVICE MEMBERS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT OF 1940 AS AMENDED 2003 AS AMENDED: **Workers' Credit Union of Fitchburg, Worcester County**

claiming to be the holder of Mortgage covering real property at 2 Archie Street, Chicopee, Massachusetts given by **Cody Hammon to Workers' Credit Union**, dated: **November 14, 2018** recorded in **Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 22466, Page 71** has filed with said court a Complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry on and possession of the premises therein described and by exercise of the power of sale contained in said mortgage.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Service Members' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended, and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at **Springfield** in said County on or before **04/28/2021** or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said Act.

Witness, Judith Fabricant, Esquire, Chief Justice of the Superior Court, at **Springfield**, Massachusetts, this, this **17th** day of **March, 2021**.

Laura S. Gentile, Clerk of Courts
By: Stephanie Rosco Assistant Clerk
04/02/02021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD21P0562EA
Estate of: Elaine T Forest
Also known as:
Elaine Theresa Forest
Date of Death: 01/19/2021
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**
To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with**

Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by **Samuel R LaFleche** of Chicopee, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Samuel R LaFleche** of Chicopee, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised administration**.

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WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 25, 2021

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Register of Probate
04/02/2021

ILLEGAL RACING from page 1

ing all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, dirt bikes and recreation utility vehicles.

An all-terrain vehicle is a motorized recreation vehicle that rides on four low-pressure tires, featuring handlebars and a seat meant to be straddled by the operator.

A dirt bike is considered a lightweight motorcycle that includes two in-line wheels made to ride on unpaved surfaces, trails or dirt roads.

A recreation utility vehicle, also known as a motorized flotation tire vehicle, has no less than four and no more than six low pressure tires. It is limited in engine displacement to less than 1,500 cubic centimeters, has a bench seat, a steering wheel for control and, in total weight, cannot carry more than 1,800 pounds.

Residents under the age of 18 are prohibited from operating recreation vehicles or recreation utility vehicles without having completed a recreation vehicle safety and re-

sponsibility course.

No one under the age of 16-and-a-half years old is permitted to operate a recreation vehicle on a public roadway without the supervision of an individual over the age of 18. Individuals aged 14-16 must be supervised by an adult when operating an all-terrain or utility vehicle with an engine capacity greater than 90 cubic centimeters.

Residents between 10 and 14 years old can only operate a recreation vehicle when supervised by an adult while preparing for or participating in a sanctioned race, rally or approved, organized event.

It is illegal for riders of any age to operate a recreation vehicle under the influence of drugs or alcohol, in an unreasonable manner, at dangerous speeds or on another resident's land without his or her written consent.

Riders are prohibited from riding within 150 feet of a residence without the owner's consent. Recreation vehicles will not be permitted to emit toxic fumes or make excessive noise.

Recreation vehicles must be equipped with at least one headlight, a red rear light and a red rear reflector when being operated after sunset. Individuals riding recreational vehicles must wear an approved helmet, and the vehicle must be equipped with an adequate breaking system.

Recreation vehicles that operate on public or private property must be registered with the MA Environmental Police, unless being used exclusively for agricultural, forestry, lumbering or construction purposes, an exemption that must be applied for.

To report a violation of a recreation vehicle, one can contact the Environmental Police Radio Communications Center at 1-800-632-8075.

Captain Jeff Gawron of the Chicopee Police Department is leading the city's response to the rise in illegal dirt bike activity but did not respond to several requests for comment.

Dalton Zbierski can be reached at dzbierski@turley.com.

GARDEN from page 4

passed and proceeding as recommended above. Don't over fertilize in either case or you will get lots of foliage and few peanuts.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 28 years, she has held the position of staff horticulturalist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to ekennedy@turley.com with "Gardening Question" in the subject line.

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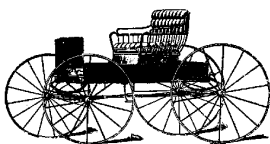
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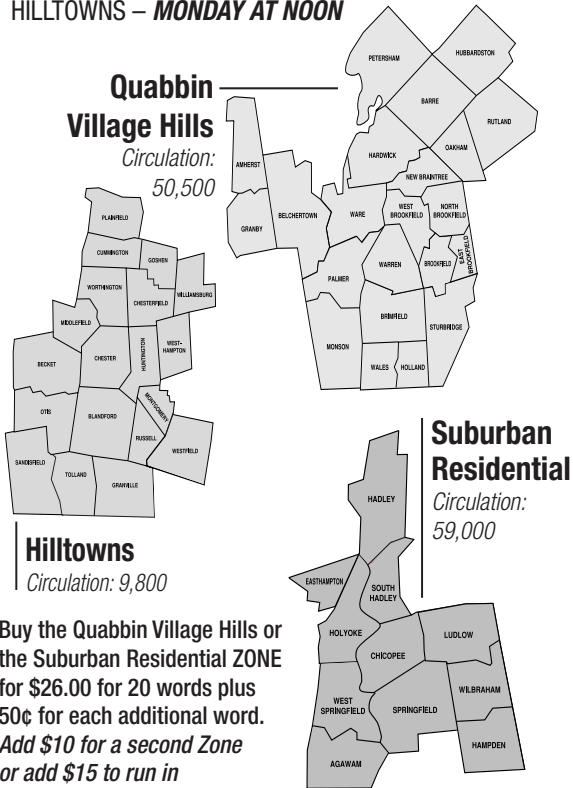
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independent panel of judges, has most impressively continued and built upon his or her track record of accomplishment.

Those at BusinessWest encourage submissions to be thorough, detailing the candidate's success in business, involvement in the community, and awards and designations. Supporting information (such as a résumé) may be sent to godaire@businesswest.com. Please include the nominee's name in the subject line.

Five finalists will be announced in the May 12 edition of BusinessWest, and the winner will be celebrated at the annual 40 Under Forty Gala on June 24.

Past winners include: 2020: Carla Cosenzi, president, TommyCar Auto

Group (40 Under Forty class of 2012), and Peter DePergola, director of Clinical Ethics, Baystate Health (class of 2015); 2019: Cinda Jones, president, W.D. Cows Inc. (class of 2007); 2018: Samalid Hogan, regional director, Massachusetts Small Business Development Center (class of 2013); 2017: Scott Foster, attorney, Bulkley Richardson (class of 2011), and Nicole Griffin, owner, ManeHire (class of 2014); 2016: Dr. Jonathan Bayuk, president, Allergy & Immunology Associates of New England (class of 2008); 2015: Delcie Bean, president, Paragus Strategic IT (class of 2008).

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Chicopee Register

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